

# State Technology Resources and Student Success

---

October 17, 2019



Connecticut's Trusted Internet Partner





# Agenda



Competencies



Open Education Resources



Data Privacy



Connectivity



Cybersecurity



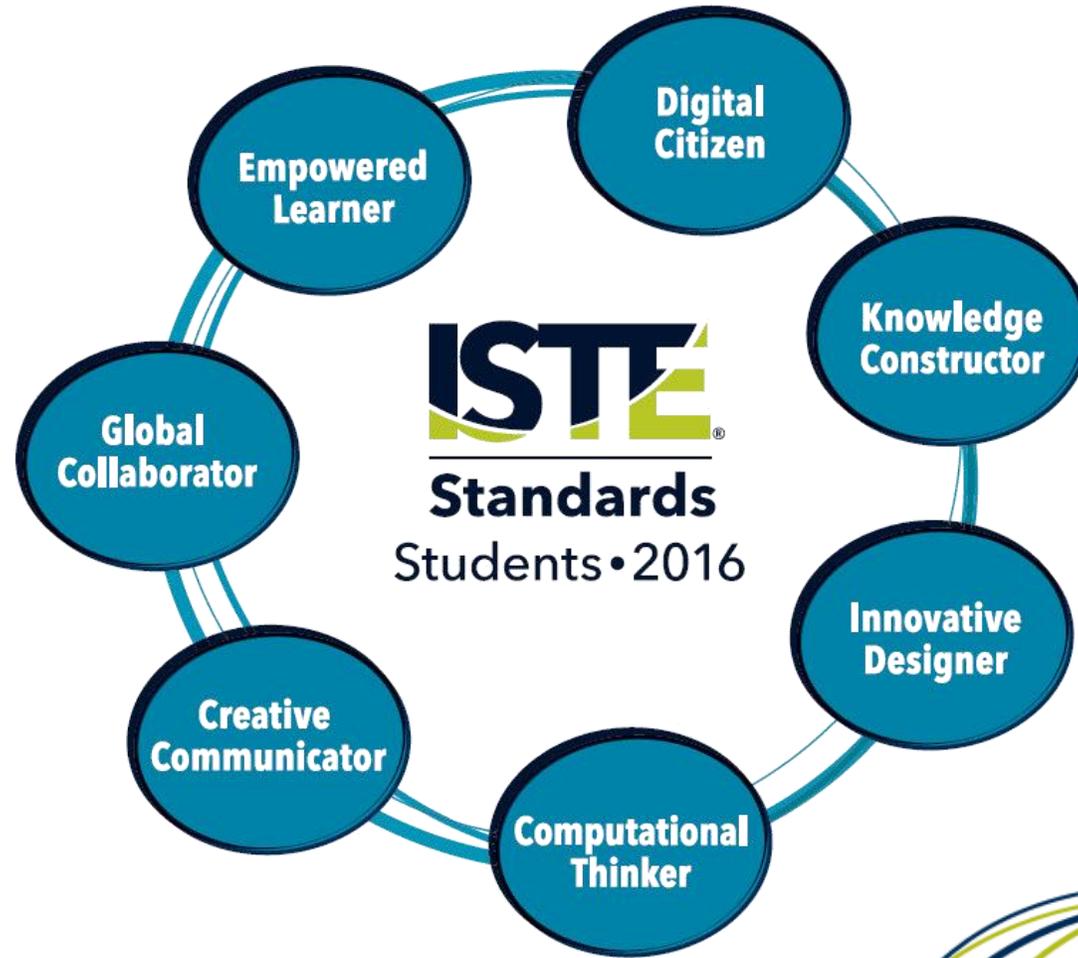
Digital Equity

# Standards for Students

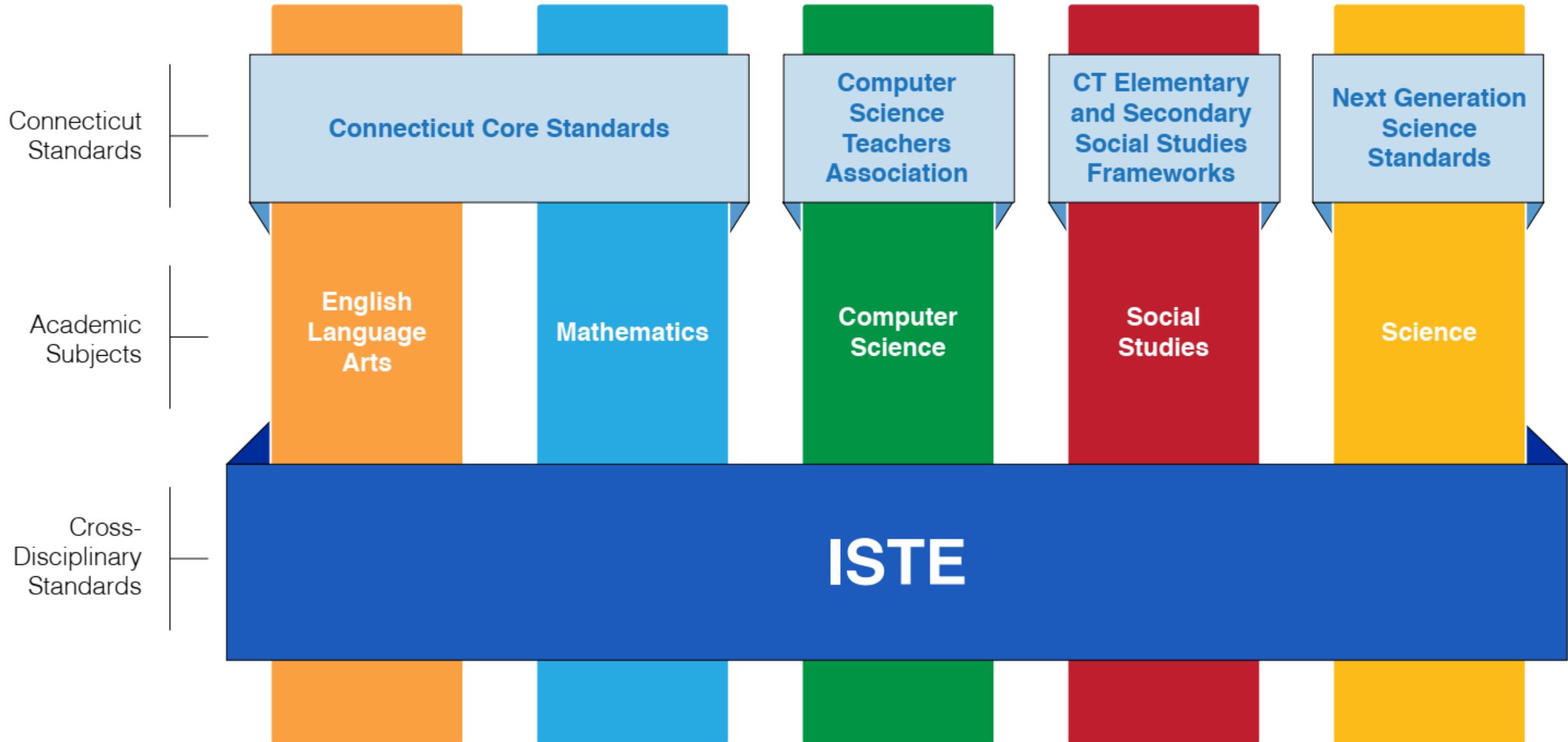
- Commission Adoption  
September 2016



- State Board Adoption  
June 2018



# Standards Frameworks



# Standards for Educators

- Commission Adoption  
September 2017



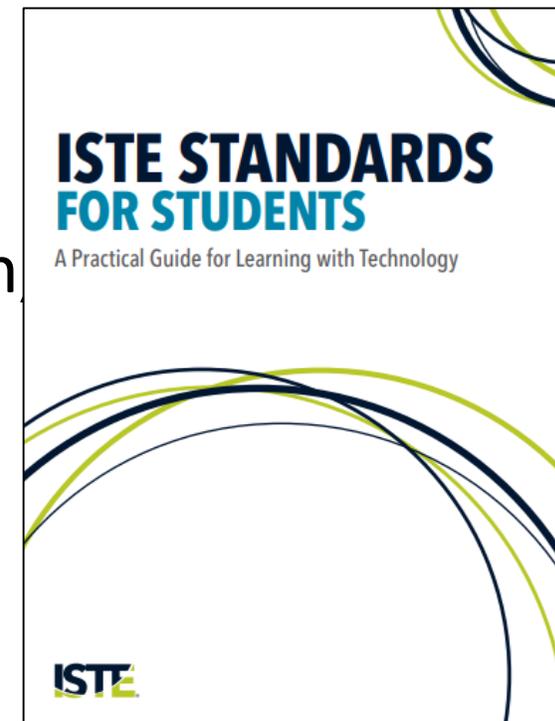
# Standards for Educational Leaders

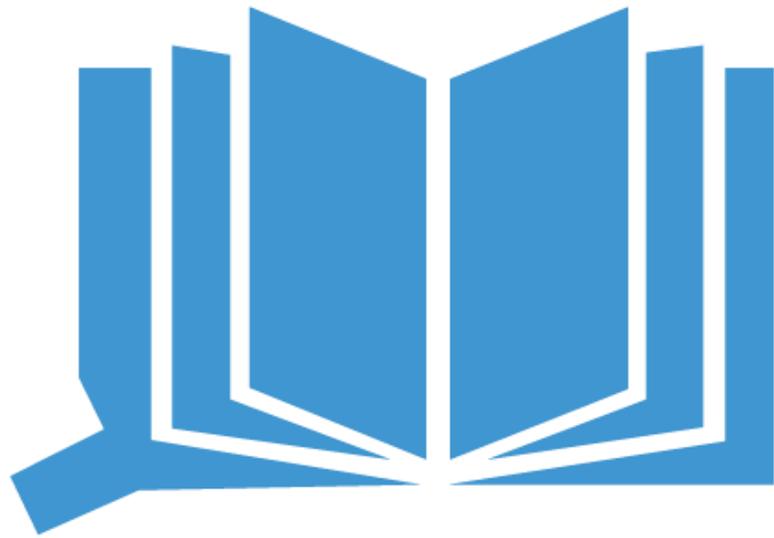
Commission Adoption December 2018



# State Resources ([www.CT.gov/ISTE](http://www.CT.gov/ISTE))

- Implementation Guide
- CT Leader Webinar Series
- ISTE Books, Guides, etc. on Classroom Integration, Project-Based Learning, ELL, CS, etc.
- 25% ISTE Member Discount on Many Purchases





# Open Education Resources

---

***Free and openly licensed educational materials that can be used for teaching, learning, research, and other purposes.***

---

– Creative Commons

Open Education Resources

# Meeting Educational Challenges with OER

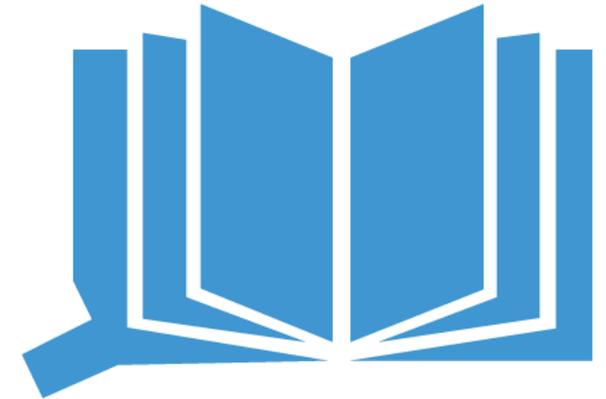
## Benefits

- Equity of Access
- Relevancy and Currency
- Teacher and Student Voice
- Cost Savings
- Technology Investment
- Eliminates Barriers Between K – 12 and Higher Education
- Connection with Other Educators



# www.GoOpenCT.org

- Resources for Schools and Colleges
  - District Launch Packet
  - Search Engines for Free and Open Materials
- Video Testimonials
  - Voices from CT Leaders
  - Success Stories and Inspiration
- Survey
  - Resources to Share
  - Current and Expected Needs



**www.GoOpenCT.org**  
**#GoOpenCT**



Data Privacy

# Essential Components of CT Law



Ensures Control and Transparency of Data



Articulates Best Practices



Requires “Written Contracts”



Requires Posting of Ed Tech Usage



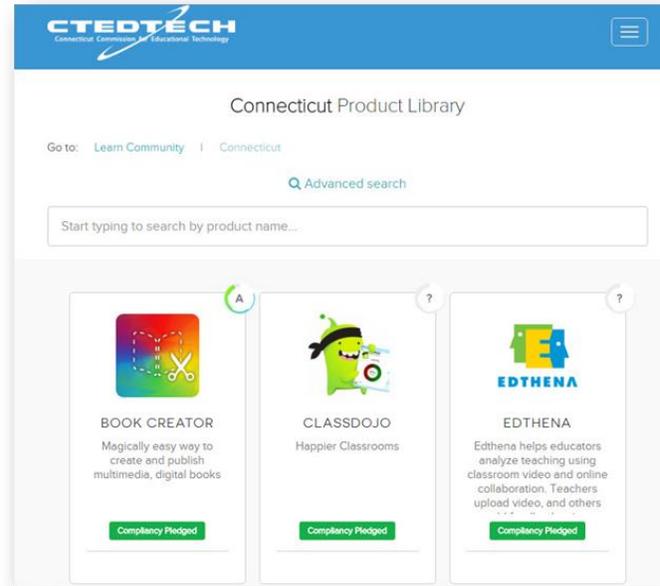
Details at [bit.ly/CT\\_Privacy\\_Law](https://bit.ly/CT_Privacy_Law)

## Education Community

Account  
Creation



Product  
Search



## Educational Technology Providers

Education and  
Awareness



Account  
Creation



Product  
Registration



Privacy Pledge



Product Listing

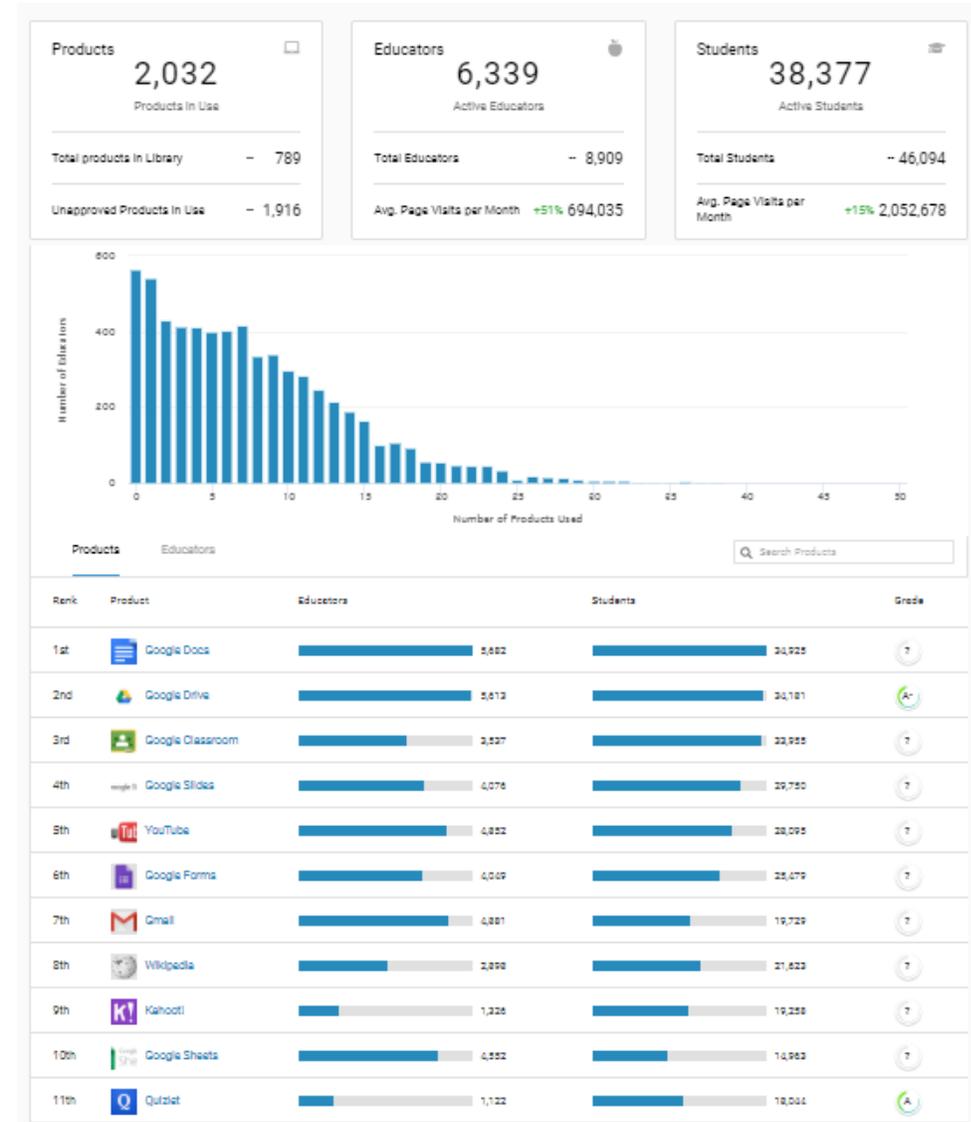


TOS Addendum  
Details

Educational Software Hub  
[connecticut.learnplatform.com](http://connecticut.learnplatform.com)

# LearnPlatform Analytics

- Free
- Educator and Student Totals
- Actual Usage by Product
- Product Drill-Down (Compliance, Reviews, etc.)



# Model Terms of Service Addendum

## Model Terms of Service Addendum

For the purposes of this Agreement, "directory information," "de-identified student information," "school purposes," "student information," "student records," "student-generated content," and "targeted advertising" shall be as defined by Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-234aa.

1. All student records, student information, and student-generated content (collectively, "student data") provided or accessed pursuant to the contract are not the property of, or under the control of, the Contractor.
2. The Board shall have access to and the ability to delete student data in the possession of the Contractor except in instances where such data is (A) otherwise prohibited from deletion or required to be retained under state or federal law, or (B) stored as a copy as part of a disaster recovery storage system and that is (i) inaccessible to the public, and (ii) unable to be used in the normal course of business by the Contractor. The Board may request the deletion of any such student information, student records or student-generated content if such copy has been used by the operator to repopulate accessible data following a disaster recovery. The Board may request the deletion of student data by [\[insert specific protocols here\]](#).
3. The Contractor shall not use student data for any purposes other than those authorized pursuant to the [\[insert name of contract or addendum\]](#).
4. A student, parent or legal guardian of a student may review personally identifiable information contained in student data and correct any erroneous information, if any, in such student data. He or she may do so by [\[insert specific protocols here\]](#).
5. The Contractor shall take actions designed to ensure the security and confidentiality of student data.
6. The Contractor will notify the Board, in accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-234dd, when there has been an unauthorized release, disclosure or acquisition of student data. Such notification will include the following steps: [\[insert specific protocols here\]](#).
7. Student data shall not be retained or available to the Contractor upon expiration of the contract between the Contractor and Board, except a student, parent or legal guardian of a student may choose independently to establish or maintain an electronic account with the Contractor after the expiration of such contract for the purpose of storing student-generated content.
8. The Contractor and Board shall each ensure their own compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, as amended from time to time.
9. The laws of the State of Connecticut shall govern the rights and duties of the Contractor and the Board.
10. If any provision of the contract or the application of the contract is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other



## Student Data Privacy

A Toolkit for Connecticut School Districts



Version 1.4  
Monday, July 10, 2017

55 Farmington Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06105  
(860) 622-2224  
[www.ct.gov/CTEdTech](http://www.ct.gov/CTEdTech)

# Privacy Resources

**[www.CT.gov/CTEdTech](http://www.CT.gov/CTEdTech)**

- Background for Educators and Vendors
- Educational Software Hub (LearnPlatform)
- Model Terms of Service
- Webinars
- Privacy Toolkit



Connecticut's Trusted Internet Partner

# Connecticut Education Network

# ABOUT CEN



Connecticut's Trusted Internet Partner

- Internet Service Provider
- All fiber, high capacity, low latency network
- Established in 2000
- State owned infrastructure
- Managed by UConn
- Governed by the CET ([ct.gov/ctedtech](http://ct.gov/ctedtech))
- Serves Community Anchor Institutions
- Cost recovery model (no profit)
- Nation's first all optical network to connect every K-12 district (2005)

## 1.8 Million Citizens Served

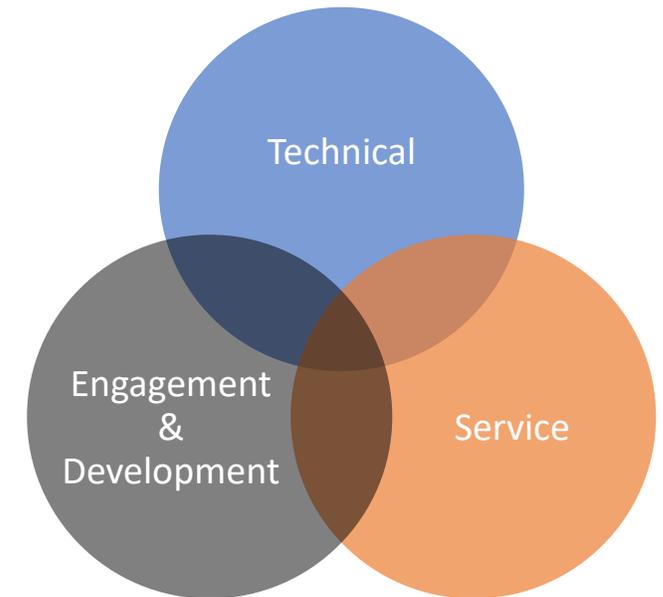
Community Anchor Institutions	Public K-12 Districts	Public Colleges & Universities	Private Colleges & Universities	CT Public Libraries	CT Municipal Government	CT Govt Branch	Open Access
Connected	170	19	17	144	102	2	38
CT Total	170	19	20	238	169	3	n/a
% of Total	100%	100%	85%	61%	60%	66%	n/a

# PARTNERSHIP OVER PROFIT



- Not for profit/cost recovery model = true partnership
- For stakeholders not stockholders
- Built for peak performance
- Tuned for rigors of education
- Blended Internet services
- Economical pricing structure
- Equitable service across all districts
- Member led advisory councils
- Most advanced network Infrastructure in the region
- 6X capacity of traditional networks

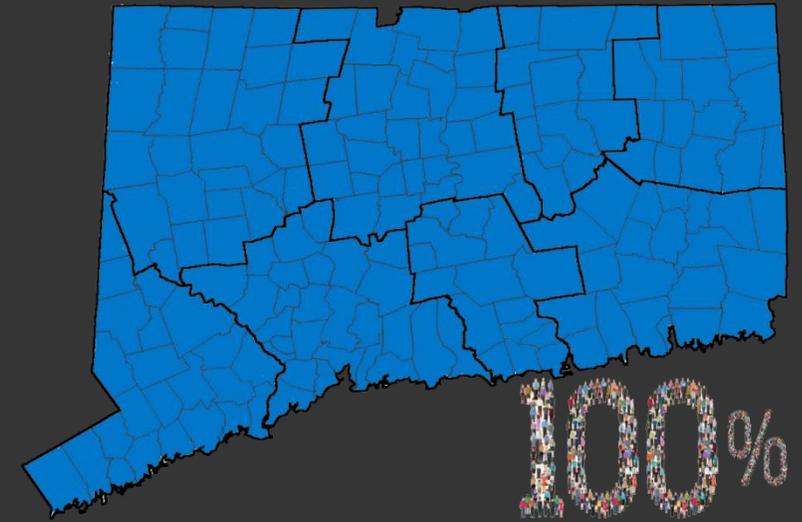
## CEN Advisory Councils



# WHY AN EDUCATOR SHOULD CARE

- Digital Equity to *every* district was solved in 2005, then enhanced in 2010 through BTOP
- CT can focus on connectivity equity at home, not to the school districts like other states
- Exceeds the SETDA recommended bandwidth allocation per student → 791Kbps
- Services tailored to YOUR needs
- CEN saves the state ~ \$25M annually through our model
- NY, MA, RI for similar services pay 137%, 89%, and 20% more respectively
- Platform for digital transformation & success for schools

CT Communities with CEN Service for K-12



Connecticut's Trusted Internet Partner

Cybersecurity



# BASIC CYBERSECURITY APPROACH

- Leadership / Cabinet-level
- Culture continuum
- Have an Incident Response plan
- Patch & verify all your systems
- Least privilege required on systems
- Train your IT staff as responders
- Train your non-technical staff
- Purge old data (retention requirements).
- Practice, Practice, Practice

If/when a cybercrime victim, call:

- CTIC
  - CT Intelligence Center
  - [ctic@ct.gov](mailto:ctic@ct.gov)
  - 860 706 5500
- CCIU
  - Cyber Crimes Investigation Unit
  - [cybercrimes@ct.gov](mailto:cybercrimes@ct.gov)
  - 860 685 8450

# WHAT IS CEN DOING

## CURRENT STATE

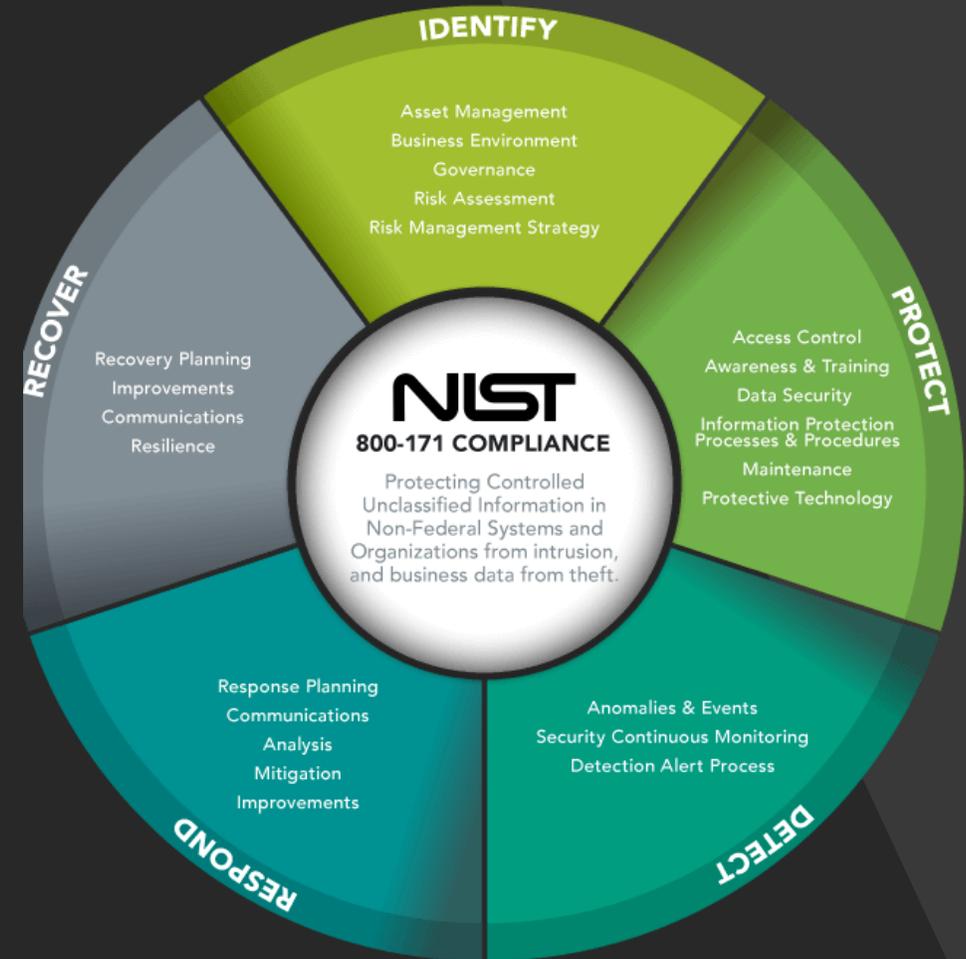
- DDoS Mitigation
- CIPA Filtering
- NextGen Firewalls
- Training/Workshops

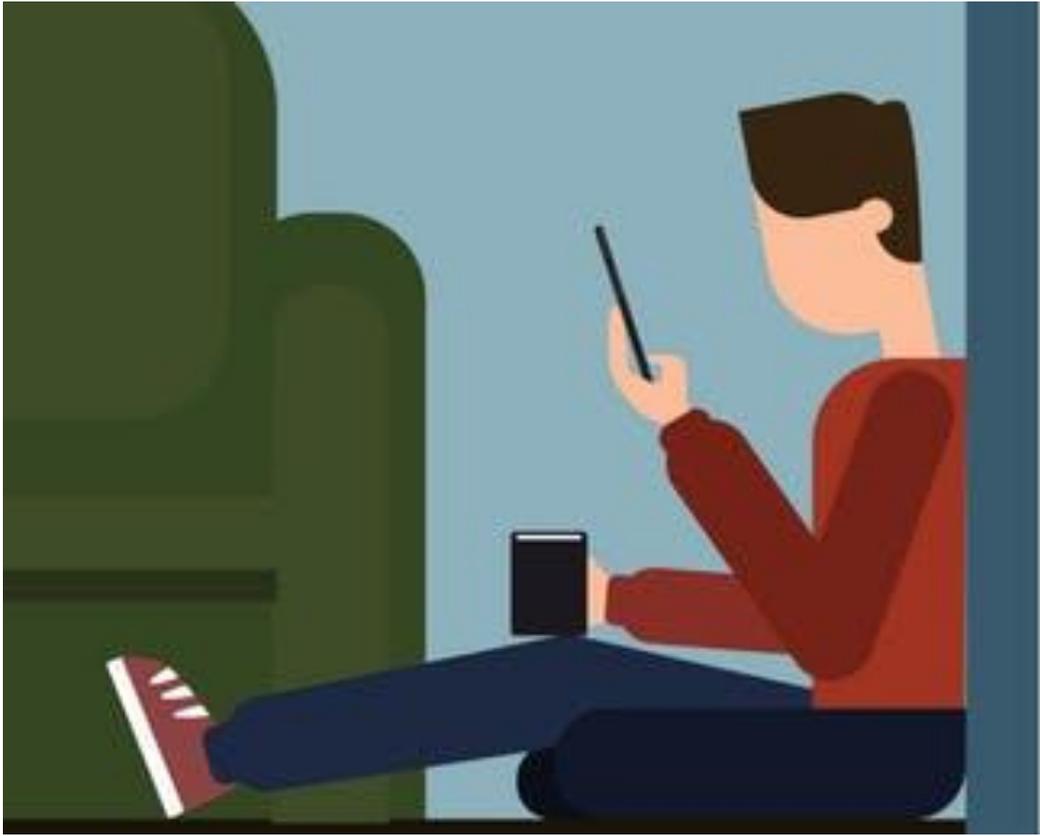
## FUTURE STATE

- DNS Firewall (estimated Jan2020)
- More training/workshops
- Member Incident Response Teams
- Collaboration with CTIC
- Managed Security Services
- Security Operations Center (SOC)

# Cybersecurity Resources

- CEN (<https://ctedunet.net/>)
  - DDoS is included with ISP – 700+ Mitigated DDoS Attacks Since January 1, 2019
  - Firewall Solution – vFirewall and Managed Firewall
  - Hosted DNS with Free Firewall Add-on
- CTIC (<https://portal.ct.gov/DEMHS/Homeland-Security/Intelligence-and-Counter-Terrorism>)
  - CTIC, CCIU, and Homeland Security collaborating
  - Reporting cyber Crimes
- CoSN ([www.CoSN.org](http://www.CoSN.org))
  - Trusted Learning Environment (TLE)
  - Cybersecurity Best Practices
- CIS / MS-ISAC (<https://www.cisecurity.org/ms-isac/>)
  - Best Practice, Tools, Information sharing
- NIST CyberSecurity ([www.NIST.gov/topics/cybersecurity](http://www.NIST.gov/topics/cybersecurity))
  - Frameworks, Resource Center, Education
- SANS Institute ([www.SANS.org](http://www.SANS.org))
  - Education, training, certifications





# Digital Equity

---

# Digital Equity

---

## Broadband Internet

---

## Devices

---

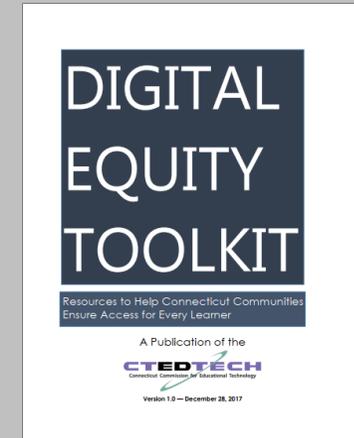
## Skills

---

## Support

# Digital Equity Solutions

- Digital Equity Toolkit: [www.CT.gov/CTEdTech](http://www.CT.gov/CTEdTech)
  - Information Gathering: Identify Need
  - Community-Based Approaches
  - Leadership Teams
  - Current Programs (e.g., Internet Essentials)
  - Leveraging Existing Resources
- Eduroam
  - Higher Education Solution
  - Connects Learners to Existing Hot Spots
  - Pilot Towns



# Contact

[Doug.Casey@ct.gov](mailto:Doug.Casey@ct.gov)

Executive Director, CET

(860) 622-2224

@CTEdTech | @DougCasey | @GoOpenCT

[www.CT.gov/CTEdTech](http://www.CT.gov/CTEdTech)

[Ryan.Kocsondy@UCONN.edu](mailto:Ryan.Kocsondy@UCONN.edu)

Director, CEN

(860) 622-4563

@CTEduNet

[www.CTEduNet.net](http://www.CTEduNet.net)



Connecticut's Trusted Internet Partner

